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Frederick County Health Department

Public Health Alert

DATE: June 16, 2022

Woman Bitten by Unknown Dog at Brunswick Dog Park in Brunswick, Maryland, on Thursday, June 16, 2022. Seeking Owner of Dog.

A woman was bitten on the finger by an unknown dog on Thursday, June 16, 2022, around 9:40 AM at the Brunswick Dog Park off East Potomac Street in Brunswick, Maryland. The bite occurred while the victim was attempting to break up an altercation between her dog and the biting dog. The dog is described as a Pit Bull-type dog with different shades of short, brown fur, weighing approximately 50-60 pounds. The dog is possibly named "Xena" and was accompanied by a slender, middle-aged Caucasian woman with a toddler.

Contact is needed to confirm the animal's health and whereabouts. The animal will be quarantined, which can occur in the owner's home, for 10 days to monitor its health. If the animal is verified to be in good health 10 days after the bite, it will be allowed to resume normal activity, and the victim can avoid receiving unnecessary and expensive post-exposure rabies vaccinations. The Frederick County Health Department is asking that the owner or anyone who has information about the animal contact Frederick County Animal Control at 301-600-1544.

If you or someone in your family is bitten or scratched by a dog or cat, obtain contact information from the animal's owner so that appropriate action can be taken. Report bites to Animal Control at 301-600-1544. Report possible human exposure to Community Health Services at 301-600-3342. For general rabies questions, call Environmental Health Services at 301-600-1717. Visit health.frederickcountymd.gov/RABIES for more information.

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